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11 December 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR: CIA Records Administration Officer

SUBJECT : Documentation of Appointments of Early DCI's


REFERENCES: : a. Memorandum from the Undersigned to the Addressee, 22 October 1970

b. Replies, 8, 9 December 1970, with Enclosures

1. On behalf of the CIA Historical Staff I want to express my very great appreciation to you for your expeditious and successful efforts to obtain for us from the National Archives, copies of documents pertaining to the appointment and relief of the early Directors of Central Intelligence. These documents will contribute substantially to the completion of the record as well as to the writing of the history of the Agency during its formative period.

2. It is also good to know that a channel has now been established to the National Archives for future use in obtaining materials pertinent to the history of the Agency. In particular, we appreciate Mr. Rhoads' offer, in his letter to you of 7 December to assist us in obtaining from the files of the US Senate, the papers relating to the nominations of senior Agency officers. We will submit a request on this subject as soon as we can provide you with a detailed requirement.

3. I would appreciate very much your conveying to Mr. Rhoads our pleasure and gratitude for the help which he has so kindly given to us.


Chief, CIA Historical Staff

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